

Attorney's Docket No. <u>016800-425</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of)
Jean-Michel BERNARDON et al.) Group Art Unit: 1625
Application No.: 09/719,219	Examiner: B. M. Robinson
Filed: March 28, 2001) Confirmation No.: 7072
For: DIARYLSELENIDE COMPOUNDS AND THEIR USE IN HUMAN OR VETERINARY MEDICINE AND IN COSMETICS	Examiner: B. M. Robinson Confirmation No.: 7072 PER 03 2003 PER 03 2003 PER 03 2003

SUPPLEMENTAL REPLY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the Reply filed November 27, 2002, in complete response to the Official Action mailed August 27, 2002, Applicants submit the following supplemental remarks.

Submitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement containing 22 references. These references are submitted in support of Applicants' arguments concerning the rejection of Claim 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph. These references clearly support Applicants' position that alopecia is indeed a preventable condition, contrary to the Examiner's position in the most recent Official Action. Accordingly, withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

From the foregoing, further and favorable action in the form of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested and such action is earnestly solicited.

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In the event that there are any questions concerning this amendment or the application in general, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned so that prosecution of the application may be expedited.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Encl	osed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.
[]	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.
[]	A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [] \$55.00 (2814) [] \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed.
[X]	Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, \$180.00 check, and references
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.
[]	Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$375.00 (2801) [] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).
	[] Applicant(s) previously submitted, on, for which continued examination is requested.
[]	Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least _, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.
[]	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (146/246) is also enclosed.
[X]	No additional claim fee is required.

[] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

		AMENDED	CLAIM	>	
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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